

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF
DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 00V-102.002 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

SEP 14 2000

Part 573 Report Date: September 6, 2000

MANUFACTURER: Wabash National Corporation

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SUBJECT: 84 Wabash semi-trailers equipped with PreGreased hubs and tire inflation systems supplied by Consolidated Metco, Inc. (ConMet). The outboard bearing on the PreGreased trailer axle hubs used with the tire inflation systems may fail due to the intrusion of contaminants through the tire inflation system. An outboard bearing failure can result in a separation of the hub assembly from the spindle.

This is an initial acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

It is our understanding that ConMet is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign.

Note: Please provide us with the year of the vehicles involved in this campaign.

If you have any questions, please call:



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